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CASE #: OI-HQ-2018-THT-0029

CROSS REFERENCE #: N/A

TITLE: Pro-ISIS Video Publishes Names of Seven EPA Employees In Video Threatening to Kill U.S. Government Employees

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Subject(s)	Location	Other Data
Unknown	EPA Headquarters; EPA Regions 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, and 10	N/A

ALLEGATION(S):

On December 20, 2017, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), received a case referral from the EPA Office of Homeland Security (OHS). (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) OHS learned of the existence of a credibly vetted video posted on a pro-Islamic State website. This video called upon and threatened to murder United States government employees, and the names of these employees had been sent to lone wolf terrorists within the United States to act upon. The video also showed screenshots of lists of United States government employee names, government agencies, locations, and contact information. Seven of the employees whose data was shown in the video were EPA employees. The video was released on December 5, 2017 declaring Friday, December 8th as the planned attack date. (b) (7)(E)

(b) (7)(E) This case was opened to notify the EPA employees of this matter.

FINDING(S):

(b) (7)(E) Open source research revealed that the group was believed to be largely decentralized, and usually performed lone wolf cyber-attacks on western targets. In early April 2017, the group released via the internet a "kill-list" of 8,786 people.

OI notified all EPA employees that were on the aforementioned list and the respective EPA Regional Security regarding the threat. OI also notified the (b) (7)(E) of the matter.

DISPOSITION: Inconclusive. Closed.

The United States Attorney's Office, District of Columbia, Washington, DC, was not consulted, as this case was opened to make notifications to the potential victims.

Based upon the aforementioned, there are no further investigative steps and this investigation is recommended for closure.